

2002 History Writing Contest Winners

First Place—"Bombarding the Marianas: Joint Fires at the Strategic, Operational and Tactical Levels" by Major Prisco R. Hernandez, ARNG

Second Place—"A Contest of Contrasts: The Principle of Dislocation and the Artillery Fight at the Battle of Chancellorsville" by Captain G. James Schreckengost, PAARNG

Third Place—"How Artillery Beat Rommel After Kasserine" by Robert C. Baldridge

Judges of the 2002 History Writing Contest

Colonel (Retired) Thomas G. Waller, Jr. holds three Masters of Art, including in Military Art and Science from the School for Advanced Military Studies (SAMS), Fort Leavenworth, Kansas; Asian Studies from the University of Michigan; and National Security Studies from the Naval War College, Newport, Rhode Island. He has been published several times in *Field Artillery*, including as the winner of the 1989 History Writing Contest. His article "The Field Artillery Battery: Its Past, Present and Future" that appeared in the January-February 2001 edition is a finalist for the Army Historical Foundation's 2001 Distinguished Article Award. He taught Military History at the US Military Academy at West Point. Among other assignments, he commanded two FA battalions and coordinated fire support for VII Corps during Operations Desert Shield and Storm in Southwest Asia.

Dr. James Jay Carafano (LTC, Retired) is a Senior Fellow in the nonprofit Center for Strategic and Budgetary Assessment in Washington, DC. He has a Ph.D. in History from Georgetown University, also in Washington. Dr. Carafano taught history at the US Military Academy at West Point; Marymount College in Tarrytown, New York; and the Field Artillery School, Fort Sill, Oklahoma. His book *After D-Day: Operation Cobra and the Normandy Breakout* was selected for the Military Book of the Month Club for June 2001. He edited *Soldiers are Our Credentials: The Collected Works and Selected Papers of Dennis J. Reimer*, Center of Military History, 2000. Dr. Carafano's latest book, *Waltzing into the Cold War: The Struggle for Occupied Austria* being published by Texas A&M University, is due out this fall.

Dr. Boyd L. Dastrup received a Ph.D. in History from Kansas State University. He has authored several books, including *The US Army Command and General Staff College: A Centennial History* (1982); *Crusade in Nuremberg: Military Occupation, 1945-1949* (1985); *King of Battle: A Branch History of the US Army's Field Artillery* (1992, 1993); *Modernizing the King of Battle: 1973-1991* (1994); and *The Field Artillery: History and Sourcebook* (1994). He also has written articles for *A Guide to the Sources of United States Military History* (1998) and *The Oxford Companion to American Military History* (1999). Dr. Dastrup has been the Command Historian for the US Army Field Artillery Center and Fort Sill since 1984.

Field Artillery Themes for 2003

| Edition | Theme | Deadline |
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| Sep-Oct | Close Support | 1 Jun 2002 |
| Nov-Dec | Red Book | 1 Aug |
| Jan-Feb | Fires TTP for the COE | 1 Oct |
| Mar-Apr | Lethal and Nonlethal Fires and Effects | 1 Dec |
| May-Jun | Joint Fires | 1 Feb 2003 |
| Jul-Aug | History | 1 Feb: Contest* 1 Apr: Other |
| Sep-Oct | Fighting the FA Battalion | 1 Jun |
| Nov-Dec | Fires for the Objective Force | 1 Aug |

*Due date for Contest submissions; all other articles due 1 April.

2003 History Writing Contest Rules

The US Field Artillery Association is sponsoring its 18th annual History Writing Contest with the winners' articles to be published in *Field Artillery* and the Association's version of the magazine, *FA Journal*. To compete, submit an original, unpublished manuscript on any historical perspective of Field Artillery or fire support by 1 February 2003. The Association will award \$300 for the First Place article, \$150 for Second and \$50 for Third. Selected Honorable Mention articles also may appear in *Field Artillery*. Civilians or military of all branches and services, including allies, are eligible to compete. You don't have to be a member of the Association.

Your submission should include (1) a double-spaced, typed manuscript of no more than 4,000 words with footnotes, (2) bibliography, (3) your comprehensive biography and (4) graphics (black and white or color photographs, maps, charts, etc.) to support your article. The article should include an analysis of lessons or concepts that apply to today's Redlegs—it should not just record history or document the details of an operation. Authors may draw from any historical period they choose.

A panel of three historians will judge the manuscripts without the authors' names. The panel will determine the winners based on the following criteria:

- Writing clarity (40%)
- Usefulness to Today's Redlegs (30%)
- Historical Accuracy (20%)
- Originality (10%)

By 1 February 2003, send the manuscript to the US Field Artillery Association, ATTN: History Contest, P.O. Box 33027, Fort Sill, Oklahoma 73503-0027 (FedEx to Building 758, McNair Road). For more information, call DSN 639-5121/6806 or commercial (580) 442-5121/6806 or email: famag@sill.army.mil.

